

VOICE OF THE RESIDENTS

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BROADMEAD'S FUTURE

By Dick Hutzler

On Monday, October 4th a large group of residents assembled in the auditorium to get a look at the future of Broadmead as seen through the eyes of our Trustees and our Administration. The Trustees' vision was presented by Ann Heaton, Chairperson of the Board, and the Administration's view was expressed by Rich Compton, our Executive Director.

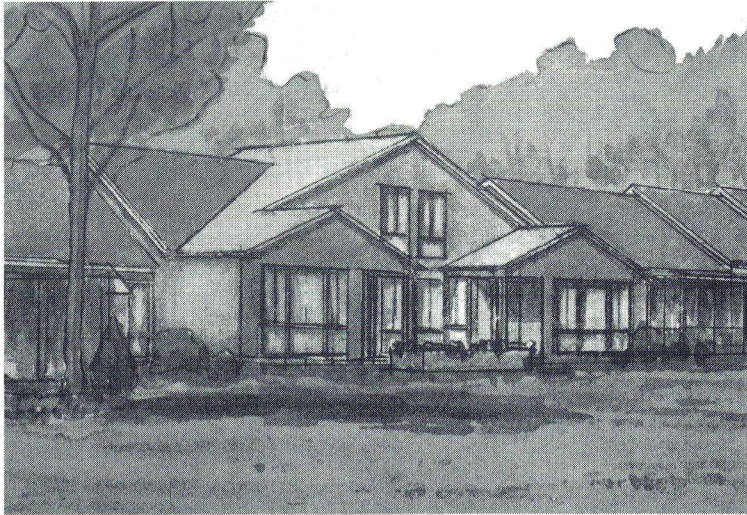
Ann Heaton's offering was quite thoroughgoing. Briefly, she began by explaining that change, although often unwelcome at the outset, is both necessary and ultimately of benefit to all, and she supported this idea by pointing out many of the changes that have already taken place here, including, among others, the installation of the swimming pool, the expansion of OPD and the conversion of the coffee shop. Adding that change is easier to accept if it is known about beforehand, she then went on to let us know about it.

First she set forth four principal policies of strategic action, namely:

- a. The Residents' Association will be consulted and the residents will be informed in regard to initiatives, with the Board making the final decisions.
- b. Initiatives will be managed with as great fiscal responsibility and as little disruption to community life as possible.
- c. New programs will benefit residents in

one or more ways through control of monthly fees, the addition of new services, the enhancement of Broadmead's marketability and the like.

d. The ambience and benefits of our rural campus will be protected.



Architect's rendering of one pair of loft apartments

Ann then went on to list a number of specific goals, as follows:

1. Providing more funds to assist those who would fit well into our community but who fall short of the necessary assets and/or income.
2. Offering to applicants options that will provide greater choice and flexibility in residence and care agreements.
3. Serving seniors living off-campus with programs providing efficient use of our facilities while increasing community income and enhancing marketability and enriching campus life.

4. Developing for the coming years a Campus Master Plan for optimum use that will include the following elements:

- a. additional larger independent living units;
- b. enlargement of some existing units;
- c. a state-of-the-art nursing facility with easy access to the Broadmead Center;
- d. additional assisted-living units on

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MOVING AROUND BROADMEAD

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Viola L. Schneider

January 1, 1904

September 26, 2004

Ruthanne W. Baldwin

April 22, 1924

October 10, 2004

Broadmead Welcomes

by Betsy Griffin

Mary Jo (Thomas) Campbell (Mrs. James)

L-15

410-584-7696

August,

2004

Mary Jo is a native Baltimorean having grown up in Roland Park, attended the Roland Park Public School, the Roland Park Country School, and studied orthoptics (the study of eye muscles) at John Hopkins and Columbia Universities. She was employed for about 15 years as an assistant in the office of a Dr. practicing these procedures. She and her late husband had 3 children and 7 grandchildren ranging in age from 16 to 3. One of her sons lives in California, another in Massachusetts, and her daughter nearby in Monkton. Her daughter is the owner of the International School of Protocol, a service organization advising others "how to act" in various situations. Mary Jo's interests include nature, environment, music, art, birds, and travel.

Nannie C.(Wicks) Lawler (Mrs. Norman)

M-6

410-785-1991

September, 2004

Pat (her life long nickname) is a Baltimorean who comes to us from near the NW corner of Baltimore City where she has lived for 45 years. She majored in Math and Economics at Wilson College and was employed as a statistician in the Maryland Department of Employment Security. She and her late husband, a civil engineer, had 2 children, a son who lives in Lutherville and teaches at the Garrison Forest School and is the father of Pat's only grandchild, and a daughter, Dr. Ann Lawler who lives in Wyman Park and does research at Johns Hopkins Hospital. One of Pat's favorite activities is attending U. of MD basketball games with her children, another is watching granddaughter, Brooks Ann, play field hockey and lacrosse. The whole family enjoys their small house in Marshall, VA, in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. I She feels that it's a lovely place to get away!

Pat's interests at Broadmead include the pool arthritis classes and exercise, photography, and working with the Barn Sale.

She expects to continue her life off campus with a Bible Study Group from her church, St Bartholomew's in Ten Hills, a fraternal group of her husband's friends and their wives, and the Wilson College Alumnae group.

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- Taylor and Hallowell Halls, all converted to one-bedroom units;
- e. additional parking spaces;
 - f. improved food service venues and menu choices;
 - g. additional possible recreational features such as a putting green, tennis courts, and/or an outdoor swimming pool.
5. Exploring the development of relationships with nearby communities of younger active seniors.
6. Developing an improved transportation service for residents and staff.

Having set all this forth (with considerable welcome expansion and elucidation) Ann Heaton then turned the podium over to Rich Compton. With the aid of overhead graphics, Rich related in detail some twenty-six specific elements of the plans for the years 2005 through 2014 - terminating with his own anticipated retirement! Happily, during the session, copies of his "time line" were distributed to all residents via their message boxes, so there was no particular need to take notes, nor need

it be set forth in complete detail here. However, to mention a few highlights:

1. Loft unit construction is planned to start this coming August and go on continuously, albeit slowly as units become available, over the years.

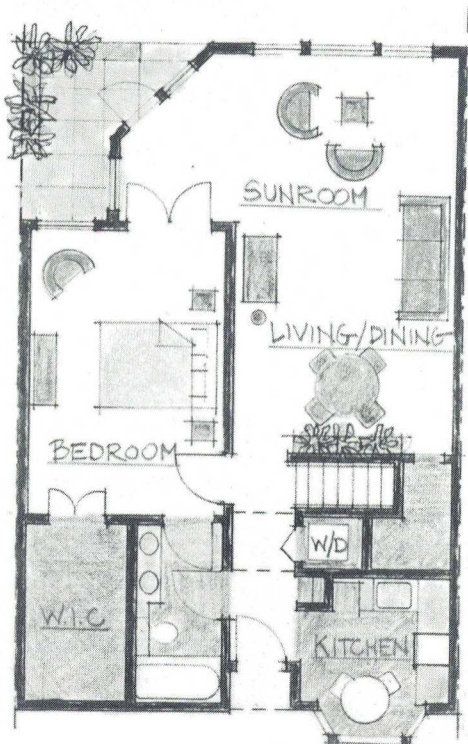
2. The main dining room is to be revised in early to mid 2007 and a new deli/cafe is scheduled for early to mid 2008.

3. Construction of the new state-of-the-art Nursing Center is planned for 2009-10

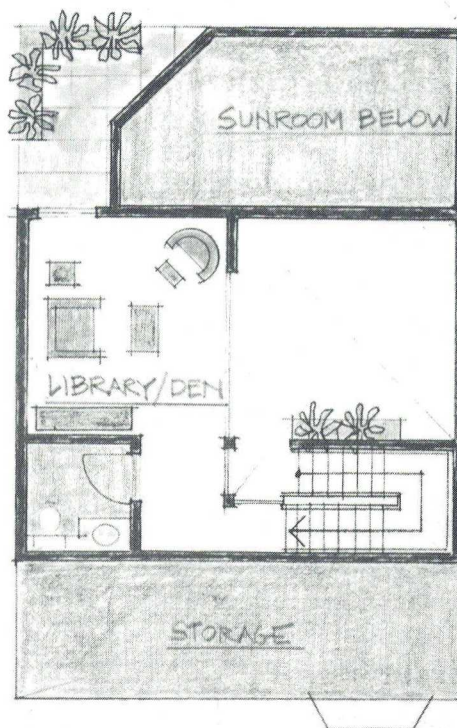
4. Expanded transportation is noted for October '09 to July '10 - which evoked a comment to the effect that it's needed now, not five years from now!

5. Six new independent living units are planned for the year 2007 and another six for 2012.

All in all it was a most enlightening evening, and it seems safe to say that most of those attending appreciated the opportunity to hear of what's ahead.



Ground Floor



Loft Floor

Plans for the proposed loft apartments, converted from current one-bedroom units. As is shown, the loft room will overlook the living room, which will have a quite high ceiling.

From *The Voice* of November 1979

By Paul Moore

The second issue of the *Voice of the Residents* - like the first issue in October - was a four-pager. Not every resident was in and settled by mid-November and Executive Director D. Martin Trueblood reported at a residents meeting that the fault lay with the continuing bad weather and the effect it was having on construction schedules. In response to a query, Martin reported that indebtedness for the storage of furniture, moving costs, and expenditures for temporary housing and meals for those awaiting completion of their apartments was in the neighborhood of \$6,000.

The lead story in the second issue of the *Voice* dealt with a report on the community's financial condition. "Broadmead is safe and sound fiscally," the report assured readers, "despite (the) delays and, most of all, despite the high cost of inflation." The off-lead on page one had this advice for readers: "If you are not a Marylander, please know that in this state there can be no turkey without sauerkraut-especially at Thanksgiving time!" The story went on to provide residents with a recipe to follow should they wish to make their own.

On page three, another report addressed the problems that resulted from delays residents encountered in moving into their apartments. Martin explained that in the three or four weeks leading up to the move-ins on September 24, "the administrative staff was hardly able to keep its collective head above water." He went on to say, "We did all we could manage to do, although I wish we had had the insight, the wisdom and the time to alert everyone to what was going on here."

Also on page three, residents attending a discussion of the Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty (Salt II), then before the Congress, were urged to make their feelings for or against the treaty known to their senators and delegates. Points for and against Salt II were discussed by residents Henry E. Niles, a life-long advocate of peace, and Charles F. Baldwin, a veteran of 40 years with the U.S. Foreign Service. Mildred Beck, chair of the Program Committee, arranged the discussion.

Following a suggestion in the first issue of the *Voice* that residents consider sharing their favorite recipes, Dorothy Covil was quoted as saying, "Chocolate turtles make lovely gifts for Christmas, and are easy to make and delicious." And she posted the recipe on the bulletin board in the center building. Margaret Bouchelle also posted a recipe on the board, the *Voice* advised, for her favorite apple cake.

"Want to spend part of Thanksgiving Day

on a bird and nature walk?" was the question posed in a story on page four. "If you and you and you answer yes," it continued, "the walk is on!" It will start at about 9:30 a.m., readers were advised, and will continue for about an hour. Another item on that page alerted residents to plans for having the Friends School Choir sing carols during the Christmas season "if all goes as planned." Readers were advised to watch the bulletin board.

As was the case with issue No. 1 of the *Voice*, no contributors were identified on the page four mast-head. It simply described the *Voice* as "The Community Newspaper", published occasionally, for the time being, by a panel authorized by the interim Program Committee.



BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

By Nancy Starnes

Monday, November, 1st at 10:30 am

In the Auditorium

"THE AGE OF INNOCENCE"

By EDITH WHARTON

The discussion will be led by

The Reverend Dr. George Gray Toole

Retired Pastor of the Towson Presbyterian Church

GARDENERS, BIRDERS SPONSOR GATHERING TO HEAR HORTICULTURALIST

By Colin MacLachlan

Wanda MacLachlan, area horticulturalist and educator working with the University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service will lecture at Broadmead on Tuesday November 23 at 10 a.m. in the auditorium on the subject of "Getting Going With the Good Guys," as the guest of the resident gardeners and birders.

A 20-year veteran of Maryland State service, Mrs. MacLachlan is currently training Maryland's Master Gardeners in a water quality program covering the entire state. At Broadmead she will address the subject of alternate pesticides, pesticides that will foster the growth of helpful insects.

Mrs. MacLachlan is a graduate of Kansas State University, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree, and the University of Maryland, where she received a Master of Science in Horticulture.

Mrs. MacLachlan is the daughter-in-law of the author. At Kansas State she was an All-American on the Kansas State track team competing in all four relay events, as well as the 200 and 400 meter dashes. She once ran the half mile in two minutes and two seconds.

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DEEMED A GREAT SUCCESS

By Colin MacLachlan

The celebration of Broadmead's 25th Anniversary was rated an all-around success by Broadmead Director of Community Services Linda Chick, with trustees, staff, and residents all contributing a considerable amount of time and talent. Planning for the observance began in December of 2003, according to Linda, with the formation of a committee whose key members were residents Betsy Griffin, Marjorie Scott, Ginny Cooley, Betsey Spragins, and Ann Toon; trustees Alice Remsberg, Dale Varner, and Lillian Freudenberger; and staff members Brenda Becker, Beth Connors, Harriet Ambrose, Melinda Purkey, Jean Mercer, Barbara Gustke, and Linda Chick, Chair.

The committee agreed that it wanted to plan a series of special celebrations worthy of this milestone in Broadmead's history, according to Linda, with Executive Director Rich Compton requesting that planned

activities be as all-inclusive of staff and residents as possible. It was agreed that the events would take place within a six-week time frame beginning in September of 2004. The committee then split into sub-committees which began planning the various events, starting with a kick-off brunch on September 8. Following the brunch, a special recognition ceremony was held to honor those who have played a significant role during Broadmead's

first 25 years. This was followed on September 10 with a signing of the 25th anniversary history book, "*Broadmead Through the Years*," by author Paul Moore. That evening, Ginny Cooley directed "Remember When," a review of many significant events in Broadmead's history, including Rich Compton's rendition of a song from Gilbert and Sullivan's "*Mikado*".

Later in the month, a Variety Show directed by Harriet Ambrose, showcasing the performance talents of residents and staff was twice presented to full houses. On October 2, Broadmead opened its beautiful campus for a Family Fun Day held for residents, staff, trustees, and their families. On October 6, Friends Care sponsored a tree planting. It commemorated Broadmead's anniversary, and was preceded by a talk in the auditorium about the new Hunt Valley Town Center. On Monday, October

18, the Broadmead Annual Meeting was held. Dinner was followed by an address by keynote speaker Jean Roeser, Maryland Secretary of Aging.

The anniversary activities concluded with a Gala Celebration, which was held on all three levels of the Community Center on Saturday, October 23. Linda described this event as a "very elegant affair" for residents, staff, trustees, and many outside guests who play such an

important role in helping to make Broadmead such a very special community. All in all, the celebration of Broadmead's 25th Anniversary was deemed a tremendous success.

Jodie Tromble leads the ladies toward robust fitness



Colin MacLachlan



Linda Chick

LuLu the Clown entertains on Family Fun Day



Brenda Becker

Commemorative Tree Planting

OPTIONS FOR PEACE? A TRIP TO ISRAEL AND THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES.

By Kitty Stierhoff

The husband and wife team of Ruth Crystal and David Cramer spoke at the 9/23/04 Open Forum Meeting on their trip to Israel & the Occupied Palestinian Territories. They traveled with the "Global Exchange Reality Tour" as their purpose was to seek an understanding of what it would take for the people of that land to be able to live in peace. They were seeking a first hand encounter with the people and places of conflict and to hear what they did not hear in mainstream US media. They visited and met with a number of communities, people who were affected by occupation, and peace groups.

What they learned and had not heard from US media:

Settlements - many and large, some with no services. When Israel was founded in '48, it was a land that contained some cities and many small, largely agricultural villages. Many of these villages were abandoned during the fighting and those people and their descendants now occupy refugee camps. These camps are enormous. Most suicide bombers come from the refugee camps. The wall divides some villages and their farm fields. In these settlements farmers slept in the fields and their families threw food to them. Only one truck was allowed out so there was no longer sufficient produce to take to the city. Israel wants farmers to leave their land. Once the land is vacant for three years it transfers to the State.

Home Demolitions. - some were houses of terrorists, some had no building permits, so were torn down, some just to make way for Jewish settlers.

Forbidden Roads - Settler only roads which, combined with the Wall, create many small isolated pockets of Palestinians.

Checkpoints - everywhere, not just between Israel and Occupied Territories, but between villages and their markets. Israelis pass through, but Palestinians can wait days.

Separation Barrier - the Wall - weaves in and out, separating communities

Although Ruth and David found great hardship in the occupied territories, they also found peace movements amongst both the Jewish and the Palestinian peoples. They heard that the occupation is opposed by both violent and non-violent means. They concluded with their guidelines for Hope & Peace:

1. Support peacemaking organizations.
2. There must be a Palestinian voice in any solution.
3. An outside broker is needed.

CIVIL LIBERTIES AND THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM

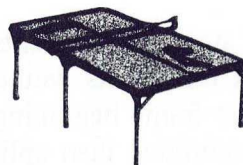
By Gretel Weiss

The September 30 OPEN FORUM, "Civil Liberties and the Fight against Terrorism", had two speakers from different organizations who have debated the above topic several times. They were Harvey Eisenberg, an attorney and anti-terrorism expert with the Dept. of Justice and the coordinator of the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council of Maryland, and David Rocah, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union. The Council is an umbrella organization of local, state, and federal agencies that coordinates activities, develops policy, and implements strategic plans to combat terrorism in Maryland. The goal of the Council is to prevent and disrupt future terrorism acts, mostly in the United States but also elsewhere. Mr. Eisenberg pointed out that in the last few months there have been rapid arrests of individuals in Britain and elsewhere. In answer to a question about the effectiveness of Homeland Security, Mr. Eisenberg said that his organization was not entirely satisfied but that Homeland Security is making progress.

Mr. Rocah reported on the ACLU's activities since 9/11, much of it beyond the Patriot Act. He said if you mention a country that is doing what the United States is doing, you might question whether it is the America we know and love. It is legitimate to have a debate about civil liberties after 9/11, but it is tragic that after the passage of the Patriot Act, this debate has not taken place meaningfully. Most things done have not made us safer, but they have made us less free.

Mr. Eisenberg and Mr. Rocah do not see the U.S. in the same way. Nevertheless there was much agreement, and disagreement was described as being "on the margins." Mr. Eisenberg pointed out that the Constitution is flexible and can constantly be adjusted. Both agreed that the Government has yet to make the case that restrictions on civil liberties are necessary to make us safer.

CALLING ALL TABLE-TENNIS PLAYERS!



Jody Tromble found a surplus table and had it moved into the Lower Level

Recreation Room.

Feel free to set it up and play to your heart's content!

Life on Hallowell

by Jane Earhart

A broken ankle brought me to Hallowell on September 4, following an operation and a short stay at GBMC. On arrival at Hallowell in the late evening, I was treated to cookies and milk. I told the charge nurse the reception was so pleasant I felt as if I were at the Milton Inn (a slight exaggeration), but it was so good to be home at Broadmead!

Dr. Carroll and the nurses were interested not only in the progress of the ankle, but in my general health. Vital signs and blood tests were taken frequently and followed up with medication when necessary. I was also introduced each morning to a not too pleasantly flavored concoction called "your nutrition" which was to fatten me up a bit. Where else would I receive these services because of a broken ankle? I shudder to think of being in my former three-story house one day after the operation.

As each of the three shifts begins, the charge nurse makes her rounds and cheerfully greets each patient and asks if there are any concerns. On Hallowell, one is awakened for breakfast about 7:30 am. One knows the food is coming because of the clatter of trays and the aroma of food. As the day progresses, a slew of programs await the residents. To name a few: Religious Services, Movies, Karaoke, Exercise, Chair Dancing, Travelogue and Tea, and a host of others.

Over and above the professional care delivered by Hallowell staff, I mustn't forget those resident volunteers from independent living who serve water every morning, yes, Saturday and Sunday too. Also, residents read to patients, help with small chores and escort those who are wheelchair bound to the beauty shop and other activities in the Center. Professional staff and resident volunteers complement each other's endeavors, and a stay on Hallowell makes one very aware and grateful.

FLU SHOT TRAUMA

By Lucille Brandt

Many people want a flu shot.
Putting health care in a tight spot.
Half the vaccine's from a bad lot.
Could it be a traitor's plot?

Everybody's in a stew.
Some are worried through and through.
Help is here for just a few.
Will it be for me or you?

As the challenge grows and grows,
People wait in rows and rows,
For their turn to take a pose.
As the needle - - - in it goes.

Soon these dark days we'll get through.
On to sunny skies of blue.
Each of us will rise anew.
We **WILL** conquer Brother **Flu**.

Emergency Room Companions

We have recently updated the list of Broadmead residents willing to accompany a resident to the hospital Emergency Room.

If you would like to learn more about participating in this program, call Sis Heck at 410-584-2341. She will send you an explanation of what is required.

RESIDENTS! Please be aware that, effective at the beginning of October, the winter cost schedule for electricity is in effect. As always, weekends and holidays are lowest cost. The winter schedule is: low cost, 9 p.m. to 7 a.m.; mid cost, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; HIGH COST (!), 7 to 11 a.m. and 5 to 9 p.m. Your cooperation will help keep our monthly fees down.

Lea Weiss, Chair, Conservation Committee

SATURDAY PROGRAMS

In the Auditorium at 7:15 pm

By Margaret Proctor

November 6th

THE LOSS OF THE "PRIDE OF BALTIMORE"

Tom Waldron

Author, Newspaperman
(Copies of his book will be available)

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November 13th

MARYLAND STATE ARCHIVES, "WHAT YOU CAN LEARN, AND HOW YOU CAN HELP"

Edward C. Papenfuse

Maryland State Archivist and
Commissioner of Land Patents
(He encourages those who have computers
to visit <http://mdsa.net>)

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November 20th

"SOMETHING THE LORD MADE"

The inside story of how
Dr. Alfred Blalock and Vivien Thomas
pioneered and developed open heart surgery
at The Johns Hopkins Hospital

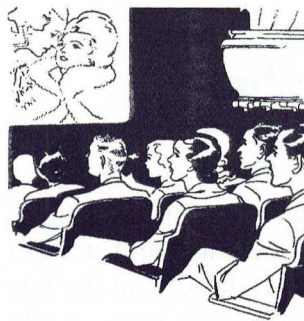
ELECTION DAY

By Nancy Rowe

Awake at dawn with expectation
Greet the day with exaltation
Thankful for the realization
You are free to vote.

Vote your voice with affirmation
Of your right of protestation
To a bill with machinations
Of unworthy note.

Beware the climbing politician
Who's misguided in his mission
Angling for a strong position;
In his eye may be a mote.



BROADMEAD MOVIES

Tuesday Movies by
Priscilla Stieff &
Bob Hermann

Saturday Movies by
Jeanne Stephenson &
Betsy Douglas

November 2nd

2002

91minutes

NR

Meet Bill Porter, impaired in body but not
in spirit, as he makes his salesman's rounds and im-
pacts the lives of his customers. William Macy,
Helen Mirren

DOOR TO DOOR

November 9th

No movie - Barn Sale.

November 16th

1952

85 minutes

NR

Top notch western with Oscar-winning
Gary Cooper as a single minded sheriff with princi-
ples. He's the ultimate hero. Grace Kelly, Lloyd
Bridges

HIGH NOON

November 23rd

1999

THE CIDER HOUSE RULES

131 minutes

PG13

Old fashioned coming of age story, begins
in a Maine orphanage, as Homer Wells has lessons
to learn about making and living by one's rules.
Michael Caine, Tobey Maguire.

Nov 27th

1941

HOW GREEN WAS MY VALLEY

125 minutes

NR

As black slag, the waste of the coal pits, be-
gins to cover the hill, so dark gossip in the village
threatens Angharad Morgan, daughter of a Welsh
mining family. Beautiful choral music by the min-
ers. Master Roddy McDowell, Walter Pidgeon,
Maureen O'Hara, Donald Crisp.

November 30th

2004

128 minutes

PG 13

About a man detained for months at an
American airport because his country has suffered a
coup and he is no longer a citizen anywhere. Tom
Hanks, Catherine Zeta Jones.

THE TERMINAL

MUSIC EVENTS

By Phil Schnering

Thursday, November 11th at 7:00 pm

LETS SING

With Herb Merrick at the piano

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Sunday, November 28th at 2:30 pm

"Let Us Entertain You"

Duet-Tenor and Soprano,

Piano- Broadway Tunes

In the Auditorium

OPERA VIDEO

By Harry Blumenthal

"LOHENGRIN"

by Richard Wagner

Metropolitan Opera

Conducted by James Levine

Starring Eva Marton, Leona Rysanek
and Peter Hofmann

Part 1: Friday, November 26th

7 pm in the Auditorium (110 minutes)

Part 2: Saturday, November 27th

2 pm in the Auditorium (110 minutes)

Early Wagner, quite melodious,
powerful music

Plot based on medieval story of
a gallant swan Knight

OPEN FORUM PROGRAM

Thursdays at 10:30 am, in the Auditorium

By Sonia Blumenthal

December 2nd

"MEDIA CONSOLIDATION: WHAT IT MEANS IN AMERICA AND FOR FREEDOM"

Larry Krause and Alice Cherbonnier,

Publishers of

The Chronicle, Baltimore News Network

SPYGLASS LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP

By Bonna Nelson

"NFB OUTREACH PROGRAMS AND UPDATES"

Ms. Patrica Maurer

Director, National Federation for the Blind

Tuesday, November 9th 11 am to noon
In the Auditorium

Urinary System

By Ted Wilson

Wednesday, November 17th

10:30 am in the Auditorium

Journey with Ted as he reveals the wonders of
our water works via glomeruli and tubules
through ureters to vesicle and beyond.

Only in America do banks leave both doors
open and then chain the pens down.
Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?
Why is the man who invests your money
called a broker?

FROM HARRIET AMBROSE SLEIGH BELL SWING

There will be NO "Let's Dance" for November.
Please note that for December, the usual "Let's
Dance" date will be our holiday dance party,

Sleigh Bell Swing

with the George Hipp Quartet

Monday, December 13th

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Main Lounge with holiday desserts!

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP AT BROADMEAD

By Bill Banks

1st Wednesday Every Month at 10:30 am
EPISCOPAL COMMUNION
Taylor East Lounge – 3rd Floor
Sponsored by Sherwood Episcopal
Church – York Road, Cockeysville

2nd Wednesday Every Month at 10:00 am
CATHOLIC MASS
Taylor East Lounge – 3rd Floor
Sponsored by the Catholic Community of
St. Francis Xavier, Cuba Road, Hunt Valley

3rd Wednesday Every Month at 10:30 am
PRESBYTERIAN COMMUNION
Stony Run Activities Room – 3rd Floor
Sponsored by Ashland Presbyterian Church,
Ashland Avenue, Cockeysville

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, November 9th at 10:30 am
Seminar Room

Led by
The Reverend Beverly Braine
Rector, Immanuel Episcopal Church

ALL WELCOME

VESPERS

By Carolyn Underwood

The Rev. Ed Richardson
Govans Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 21st, 4:30 – 5:00 pm
in the Lounge

All are Welcome

FULL OF STORIES

To Alice

By Gretel Weiss

What do you do,
I asked my blind friend,
When you cannot watch TV,
When you cannot read?

I tell myself stories, she said.

Of course!

I tell myself stories.

Full of stories,
Some told while wide awake,
Some in the twilight sleep,
Some in a dream.

Culled from our lives,
Embellished and distorted,
From tales we have read,
Some fantastic unlike our rational every day.

Constant companions,
Comforting and disturbing
Changing us into someone
We do not know.

TIME FOR A CHANGE

By Nancy Rowe

Change of pace
Change of focus
Takes a bit
Of hocus-pocus.

Change direction
Break a habit
Tricks as hard
As hat and rabbit.

Make an effort
Stretch your limit
Try and try
Until you win it.

Don't give up
And you will find
Success depends
On your state of mind.

HITHER, THITHER AND YAWN

With Foxy Georgia

This month has left us exhausted and gasping for breath, but oh, what a full source of goodies to share with you, as soon as OPD gives me a shot of oxygen. (You were hoping for something else?) Top of the list: Broadmead received the Medal of Honor for the most celebrated birthday (25 years, old dears... you should look so good!). The winner of the Purple Heart award for the most uncelebrated birthday was awarded to little old me... Who's counting?

One of the most exciting and heartfelt activities of the entire celebration was the grand opening of the long overdue do-over of the "johns" on the Lower Level... The delighted crowd assembled shouting hosannas and great cries of welcome and relief. Silver balloons marked the doorways... needed help to find them.

Get your tape measures out... Can you answer this one? Who has the longest hair? Front runners are Tiny Tim (aka Bernard Queen), and Ann Michener, with Bobbie Seibens placing a possible second, but the dark horse in this race is Sally Rich.

How many people recognized the murder weapon, artfully placed by Bill Waxter in the deathless first act scene in Ginny Cooley's vignette production? Nancy Rowe and Kathaleen Kennedy chatted on, oblivious to the Lilies of the Valley, so beautifully arranged on their tea table... consult Lynn Buck for the recipe.

Is it true? Nancy Mignini was scouted for Broadway... Don't leave us, Girl... We need you here... You are sensational,... so keep at that desk where we can see you often!

Lorne Guild once created a crossword puzzle in the shape of the letter H (and you thought he never uttered a cross word!). His puzzle was printed in the Johns Hopkins *Mag*, stumping all those smarties, with their advanced degrees... Any one up to turning out a puzzle using the letter B as a focal point? Maybe we can get the Voice to publish it.

Talk about swank and what the well dressed curtain puller will wear... Larry Galla was seen wearing white gloves, top hat and tails. For next show, Larry? We all laughed and cheered Harriet Ambrose and her dazzling chorus line in that "knock-em dead" production.

And we giggled and chortled with jovial jokester Jeanette Royston, who kept everyone happy while all sorts of things were going on back stage. Out front the Killer Bees: Brain Sharp, Brain

Baker and the ever popular Butch Mercer were mixing it up. Behind the scenes Bob Davies and Margaret Proctor, those old stagehands cut up that worn out rug; OPD delivered 2 quarts of Ben Gay the next day.

Speaking of things medical, when Ted Wilson MD removes those weeds, does Medicare cover that operation?

Ann Heaton and her trusty trustees have some lofty thoughts to share with us. First, we learn of the plan to widen the Fire Lane, making it two-way; does this turn the lane into a road? Does it need a more imposing name, such as Broad St, or Median Strip? The "Away We Go Co." is sponsoring a contest for the best new name:... 1st prize - a life-time E Z Pass; 2nd prize - a free crankcase inspection, only if you are a crank case.

And now we have our very own tree! Is it 25 yrs old? A most welcome new member of the Broadmead Arboretum... Grow well and healthy with our best wishes... because the cicadas will be looking at you, come 2021, and you'll be a delicious morsel no doubt...

Had enuf?

The Committee

By Ruth S. Williams

I was asked to be on a committee.
I did not know if I should.
I went to the meeting to see,
And decide if I really would.

First the minutes were read
Someone thought they were wrong
Then a man named Fred
Said they were way too long.

The Chair chose a sub-committee
To review the minutes once more
And report back to the committee
After they finished that chore.

The Treasurer read the accounts.
His voice was full of woe.
He'd forgotten the exact amount,
But the treasury was very low.

The Chair chose a sub-committee
To review the accounts once more
And report back to the committee
After they finished that chore.

I moved we abolish the committee,
But the Chair resigned instead.
She handed her gavel to me,
And then went home to bed.



Bob Davies

Left to right: *Liz Jackson, Charlotte Smyth, Edie Hooper, Kim Englar, Margaret Proctor*

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The five lovely ladies above obviously share the same excellent taste! Each actually purchased her shirt totally unbeknownst to any of the others. However, all wearing them to the dining room on the same evening was indeed a slyly planned event. It was, of course, thoroughly enjoyed by all those who had the good fortune to witness it.



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